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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 2, 2011, to which a response is due June 2, 2011. Claims 1-8, 11-16 and 18-24 were pending. Claims 15, 16 and 18 were withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-8, 11-14 and 19- 24 were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

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